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: Bellinger, Jason R.: Philip O. Gerard

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: 10/689,229

Filing Date

: October 20, 2003

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For

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed August 7, 2006 finally rejecting claims 1, 3, 6-13, 16, 18, 20, 22-32 and 35.

1. STATUS OF APPLICANT

This application is on behalf of other than a small entity.

2. FEE FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §41.20(b)(2) the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

____ small entity

<u>x</u> other than a small entity

Notice of Appeal fee due:

\$500.00

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3. EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

4. TOTAL FEE DUE

The total fee due is:

Notice of Appeal fee:

\$500.00

5. FEE PAYMENT

Х	Attached	is	a	check '	in	the	sum	of	\$500.	.00
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Charge Account No. 16 2463 the sum of \$ A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

6. FEE DEFICIENCY

x If any additional extension and/or fee is required charge, Account No. 16 2463.

and/or

x If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. 16 2463.

Respectfully submitted,

By: Price, Heneveld, Cooper, DeWitt & Litton, LLP

Dated: December 7, 2006

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